

United Nations Environment Programme and Global Green Growth Institute

Workshop

Working title: South-South Cooperation for Green Development – Sharing Country Experiences

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Background

Jointly organized by the United Nations Environment Programme (UNEP) and the Global Green Growth Institute (GGGI), this workshop seeks to enhance South-South Cooperation on green development trajectories and share knowledge and country experiences related to Green Economy/Green Growth pathways.

This workshop is organized in the framework of the UNEP project “Enhancing South-South Cooperation-Building the Capacity of Developing Countries to Promote Green Economies”. The project consists of two components, which are 1) collect and raise awareness of different national level green economy-related concepts and make these accessible to government representatives and other stakeholders; 2) training and capacity building for appropriate green economy measurement frameworks. The project activities seek to highlight the importance of a green economy as one vehicle for achieving sustainable development, as confirmed in the Rio+20 outcome document.

Since April 2013, UNEP has been working with the four project countries – Bolivia, China, South Africa, and Thailand - to tell the stories of their unique green economy and sustainable development approaches. The proposed workshop will serve as both a launch event for the project’s main report on National Green Economy Pathways in the project countries, and a platform on which to bring together UNEP, GGGI and other regional and global partners to share their experiences.

GGGI’s South-South Cooperation activities are a part of its Integrated Capacity Development (ICD) program. ICD’s objective is to enable governments to independently develop and implement green growth projects. South-South Cooperation is a key component of the program, focusing on peer-to-peer knowledge sharing to promote best practices and lessons learned. In this workshop, GGGI staff and representatives from their member countries will present their respective green growth experience, contributing to the pooling of diverse approaches.

Objectives

The workshop aims to strengthen Green Economy partnerships and facilitate knowledge exchange on inclusive green economies/green growth in the framework of South-South Cooperation. The country examples of Bolivia, China, Thailand and South Africa, with which UNEP is working in the framework of this project, will be showcased. The workshop will also offer an opportunity to present GGGI’s work at the country level and share national experiences in countries that GGGI is working with.

In addition, representatives from PAGE partner organizations UNDP, ILO, UNIDO, and UNITAR, and PAGE countries Peru and Mongolia will attend the event to discuss their national Green Economy frameworks. The Green Economy experience of Barbados will also be presented.

This workshop will build on the success of a previous project workshop, held in Bali in December 2014, that strengthened the green economy engagement of AESAN member states.

The target audience will be government officials, policymakers, and representatives from research institutes. Experts from the participating international organizations will also engage in the discussion and share their insights.

Agenda

Time	April 28
08:30-09:00	Registration
09:00-09:45	Opening – Claudia Assman [UNEP]
09:00-09:15	Welcome address from Mr. Heung-Jin Choi, Director-General, Korean Climate and Air Quality Bureau
09:15-09:30	Welcome address from Yvo De Boer, Director, GGGI
09:30-09:45	Video message Achim Steiner, UNEP Executive Director
09:45-10:30	Introductory Group Activity – Claudia Assmann [UNEP]
10:30-11:00	South-South Cooperation on Green Economy/Sustainable Development <i>Lead- H.E. Tulga Buya, Vice Minister, Ministry of Education, Culture and Science of Mongolia</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • UNEP approaches to SSC on inclusive Green Economy [Claudia Assmann, UNEP] • GGGI to present on approaches to SSC on Green Growth [Jason Lee, GGGI]
11:00-11:15	Coffee break
11:15-12:20	Sharing Experiences on Country Level Work – Lead – Per Bertilsson, GGGI <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • UNEP's approach to country level Green Economy work [Sheng Fulai, UNEP] • GGGI approaches to country level Green Growth work [Per Bertilsson, GGGI] • Green Economy in Peru [Aaron Drayer, GGGI and Elizabeth Altamirano, Ministry of Environment, Peru]
12:20-13:40	Lunch
13:40-15:10	Sharing Experiences on Country Level Work, continued – Lead, Sheng Fulai, UNEP <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Korean Green Growth Experience [Yong Sung Kim, GGGI] and Green Growth in Viet Nam [Tran Minh Hue, Ministry of Planning and Investment, Vietnam] • Sufficiency Economy and Green Growth in Thailand [Khan Ram-Indra, GGGI and Rawinorn Dulayakasem, Ministry of Natural Resources, Thailand]
15:10-15:25	Coffee break
15:25-16:55	Sharing Experiences on Country Level Work, continued – Lead, Sheng Fulai, UNEP <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Green Economy in Mongolia [Dr. Togtokh Chuluun + Saranchimeg Batsukh Ministry of Education, Culture and Science of Mongolia] • Green Economy in Barbados [Mr. Ricardo Marshall, Ministry of Environment

	<i>and Drainage, Barbados]</i> and the Philippines Ecotown Programme <i>[Alexis Lapiz, Philippines Climate Change Commission]</i> .
16:55-17:10	Closure of Day 1 - MK Lee, GGGI
Time	April 29
09:00-09:30	Recap from Day 1 – Sheng Fulai
9:30- 11:00	Alternative concepts of Sustainable Development – lead- Sheng Fulai, UNEP <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • UNEP to introduce SSC Project <i>[Rowan Palmer, UNEP]</i> • Videos on local implementation of SD approaches in China (“Ecological Civilization”), Bolivia (“Living Well”), Thailand (“Sufficiency Economy”) and South Africa (“Green Economy”) • Panel of country representatives responds to Q&A from the audience <i>[Godwell Nhamo and Mupula Tshangela – South Africa; Fernando Cisneros – Bolivia; Hao Chunxu and Yu Hai – China; Pisit Papuan – Thailand]</i>
11:00-11:20	<i>Coffee Break</i>
11:20-12:00	Reflections and Ways Forward – Sheng Fulai, UNEP <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Interactive group discussion on key take-aways
12:00-12:15	Closure of Workshop – MK Lee, GGGI
12:15-13:30	<i>Lunch Break</i>
13:30-18:00	Site Visit Sudokwon Landfill Site Management Corporation (http://www.slc.or.kr/design/eng/index_eng.asp)